

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 PARIS 02906 311417Z
ACTION HA-05

INFO OCT-01 ARA-10 EUR-12 ISO-00 SS-15 SP-02 L-03
NSC-05 CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 IO-13 JUSE-00 PRS-01
USIA-06 /080 W
-----100883 312352Z /41

R 311409Z JAN 78
FM AMEMBASSY PARIS
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5014
INFO AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES

C O N F I D E N T I A L PARIS 02906

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: AR, SHUM
SUBJECT HUMAN RIGHTS: PLANNED VISIT TO ARGENTINA
BY INTERNATIONAL LAWYERS GROUP

1. HAROLD HEALY, A PARTNER IN NEW YORK LAW FIRM DEBEVOISE PLIMPTON, STOPPED BY EMBASSY JANUARY 30 TO ASK OUR ADVICE ON A PROPOSED VISIT TO ARGENTINA BY A GROUP FROM THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF LAWYERS (UNION INTERNATIONALE DES AVOCATS - UIA) TO CONFER WITH THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT OVER THE DETENTION WITHOUT PROCESS OF 103 ARGENTINE LAWYERS. WE ASSURED HEALY OF USG SYMPATHY FOR CAUSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN ARGENTINA, AND SUGGESTED THAT, ON RETURN TO U.S., HE CONTACT PATT DERIAN OR MARK SCHNEIDER FOR ADVICE ON THE GROUP'S VISIT. PARTICULARS FOLLOW.

2. HEALY DESCRIBED THE UIA AS ONE OF THE MAJOR INTERNATIONAL LAWYERS' ASSOCIATIONS WITH MEMBERS IN 40 COUNTRIES. IT INTERVENED IN THE POPOVIC CASE IN YUGOSLAVIA TWO YEARS AGO. THE PRESIDENT OF THE UIA, A FRENCH LAWYER ALBERT ZURFLUH, HEALY (WHO IS FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UIA AND WILL BECOME ITS NEXT PRESIDENT) AND POSSIBLY ONE OTHER UIA OFFICIAL
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 PARIS 02906 311417Z

FROM EITHER SPAIN OR ITALY PLAN TO VISIT ARGENTINA FEBRUARY 19-25 TO DISCUSS PLIGHT OF ARGENTINE LAWYERS HELD WITHOUT CHARGE. A LETTER HEALY SHOWED US FROM JAIME ROCLAW, THE SECRETARY OF THE LIGA ARGENTINA POR LOS DERECHOS DEL HOMBRE (ADDRESS: CORRIENTES 1785, 5 PISO J, 1042 BUENOS AIRES) ALLEGED THAT 103 LAWYERS WERE BEING HELD WITHOUT CHARGE AND

INVITED THE PRESIDENT OF THE UIA TO MAKE A DEMARCHE TO THE ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES. AFTER TALKING WITH FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER GUIRINGAUD, WHO EXPRESSED SYMPATHY, UIA PRESIDENT ZURFLUH HAS DECIDED TO LEAD A DELEGATION TO ARGENTINA. OTHER GROUPS WHICH THE UIA DELEGATION WILL REPRESENT INCLUDE THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE RIGHTS OF MAN, THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF YOUNG LAWYERS (A FRENCH GROUP), AND PROBABLY THE INTERNATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION.

3. HEALY WILL CONTACT DERIAN OR SCHNEIDER IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. HE WOULD LIKE DEPARTMENT'S ADVICE, BASED ON OUR EXPERIENCE IN ARGENTINA ON HOW TO PROCEED. HE WOULD ALSO LIKE DEPARTMENT'S JUDGMENT OF BONA FIDES OF LIGA ARGENTINA POR LOS DERECHOS DEL HOMBRE. EMBASSY BUENOS AIRES MAY WISH TO CONVEY ITS OWN VIEWS TO THE DEPARTMENT IN ANTICIPATION OF HEALY'S CALL.
HARTMAN

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: HUMAN RIGHTS, VISITS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 31 jan 1978
Decaption Date: 01 jan 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978PARIS02906
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780046-1053
Format: TEL
From: PARIS
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t1978013/aaaaacla.tel
Line Count: 82
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 63eca1e0-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION HA
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 17 may 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3725421
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: HUMAN RIGHTS: PLANNED VISIT TO ARGENTINA BY INTERNATIONAL LAWYERS GROUP
TAGS: SHUM, AR, US, INTERNATIONAL UNION OF LAWYERS
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/63eca1e0-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014